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**PART ONE**

الليب بالإشارة يفهم

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## Article 1

**I** asked our master and reliance, the Hasanid Sharif Shaykh ‘Abdul Nasir – radiya ALLAH ‘anhu, “How can we identify ALLAH’s elect who enjoy the Divine Presence?” He replied, “As ALLAH subhana wa ta’ala informs us:

*‘As for those whose faces are white and illuminated then they enjoy ALLAH’s mercy and will dwell therein forever.’” (Q. 3: 107)*

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***White like milk  
is white.***

***Lights that are  
bright and a  
sun that never  
sets.***

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O ALLAH benefit us, elevate us and ennoble us through all of the righteous ...  
ALLAHumma amin!



## Article 2

I mentioned to our master and reliance, the Algerian Hasanid Sharif Shaykh ‘Abdul Nasir al-Shadhili– radiya ALLAH ‘anhu ...

Right now in Malaysia the group associated with Ustaz Muhammad Ash‘ari who established Dar al-Arqam, and Global Ikhwan has split into more than 3 main groups. The largest group that represents the organization now has announced its repentance, its desire to return to the community at large, rejected its former fanaticism and denounced its questionable behaviors. Everyone who is concerned with the affairs of Malaysia knows the story well.

In summary, this group wants to reconcile itself with all the official power structures and moreover, they want to adopt the Path of our Shadhili spiritual masters.

Sayyiduna ‘Abdul Nasir commented, “ALLAH subhana wa ta‘ala has responded to this comprehensively in surat al-Zumar (Q. 39):

*‘Say: O My servants who have transgressed against their own souls, do not despair of ALLAH’s mercy as indeed, ALLAH forgives all sins, as He is All-Forgiving, the Most Merciful. (53)*

*And turn in repentance to ALLAH and submit to Him before you are afflicted with a tremendous punishment and no-one will come to your aid. (54)*

*And follow the best of that which has been revealed to you before you are afflicted suddenly with a tremendous punishment, while you are oblivious to it. (55)*

*So that no soul will say, ‘Woe unto me for my neglect of my duty to ALLAH and I was indeed, among those who made fun of the truth.’ (56)*

*Or that they say, ‘If only ALLAH had guided me, I would have been pious.’ (57)*

*Or that they say when faced with their punishment, ‘If only I had another chance to return to the world then indeed, I would be among those who continuously perform good deeds.’ (58)*

*Indeed, My signs were revealed to you but you denied them, were arrogant and disbelieved. (59)*

*And on the Day of Resurrection you will see that those who denied ALLAH, their faces will be black. Isn’t Hellfire a suitable abode for those who are arrogant? (60)*

*And ALLAH will save those who were pious and grant them their reward of their success and they will not be afflicted with malevolence or sadness.” (61)*

The reason why this Islamic group, which was powerful and influential in South-East Asia for almost 40 years, collapsed one day is because of their deceit, their deceit, their deceit!

It is for this reason that lies and deceit destroy everything.

O ALLAH guide us to be in the company of the truthful and facilitate for us the Path to You, ALLAHumma amin!



### Article 3

A friend of mine told me ...  
I travelled to visit the resting place of the perfected spiritual master Sayyidi Shams al-Din of Tabriz radiya ALLAH ‘anhu and then I visited the resting place of his most truthful aspirant Sayyidi Mawlana Jalal al-Din Rumi radiya ALLAH ‘anhu in Konya, Turkey. I boarded the bus in Istanbul and the journey took ten hours before we reached Konya, which is well known for its unique Islamic heritage and reverence for ALLAH’s elect and His righteous servants.

The distance between the two mausoleums is only around one kilometer but I found a huge difference between the two places.

As for the mausoleum of Shaykh Shams it is not crowded, is filled with reverence, tranquility, remembrance, contemplation, observance, reflection and moreover, non-Muslims are not allowed to enter.

The following ayah is written above the doorway to the mosque adjacent to the mausoleum:

*“Observe the effects of ALLAH’s mercy.” (Q. 30: 50)*

Upon reading it I wept at the greatness of this ayah, as I would read it before but not understand its significance. Now, however, I have understood it, it has stirred my very being and I experienced ecstasy and overwhelming joy.

As for the Shaykh’s most true aspirant and his spiritual successor, Mawlana Jalal al-Din Rumi, all nationalities and types of people visit his mausoleum, to the extent that I noticed there were more non-Muslims visiting than Muslims.

I was very surprised and indeed, astonished to the extent that I wept and almost cried out!

Everyone was overjoyed to visit and they observed the appropriate etiquette and respect but I felt that there was no tranquility or reverence.

I wanted to understand, okay, never mind, He wants it to be this way, but what is the hidden wisdom in that?

Then I noticed one of Mawlana’s phrases hanging on the wall that said, “ALLAH loves that all of his creation is respected and enjoys compassion.”

Then it dawned on me and I was overjoyed by these differing spiritual methods that enlighten, nurture and are based on the authentic Sunna.

Then I recalled what they say: Every perfected spiritual master has attained by his own unique spiritual method.

O ALLAH, benefit me, ennoble me, and elevate me through my Shaykh, my master, my reliance, who is the source of my blessings and the nurturer of my body and soul ... ALLAHumma amin!

***“ALLAH loves that  
all of his creation  
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## Article 4

**O**ur Beloved ALLAH subhana wa ta'ala mentioned in surat al-Ahzab, regarding the status of His beloved elect, Sayyiduna and Mawlana Muhammad salla ALLAH 'alayhi wa salam, by way of instilling in us reverence for him, treating him with nobility and honour, as well as defending him salla ALLAH 'alayhi wa salam:

*"It is not for the Messenger to feel any uneasiness regarding that which ALLAH has made permissible for him." (Q. 33: 38)*

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***A human being but he, salla  
ALLAH 'alayhi wa salam, was not  
like any other human being.***

***This suffices,  
this suffices, this suffices!  
Wa ALLAHi this suffices.***

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**PART TWO**

أشياء عجتنب في سياحتي

# THINGS *That* IMPRESSED ME *During* *My Travel*

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## Article 1

With a friend I visited the Malaysian Passport Authority in Putrajaya, which is a new administrative city that is the center for many governmental institutions. The Authority's main building is multistory, beautifully designed and offers various services. Throughout the building I heard du'a and surat al-Fatiha via the PA system - masha ALLAH, their day is blessed through beginning with du'a and surat al-Fatiha!

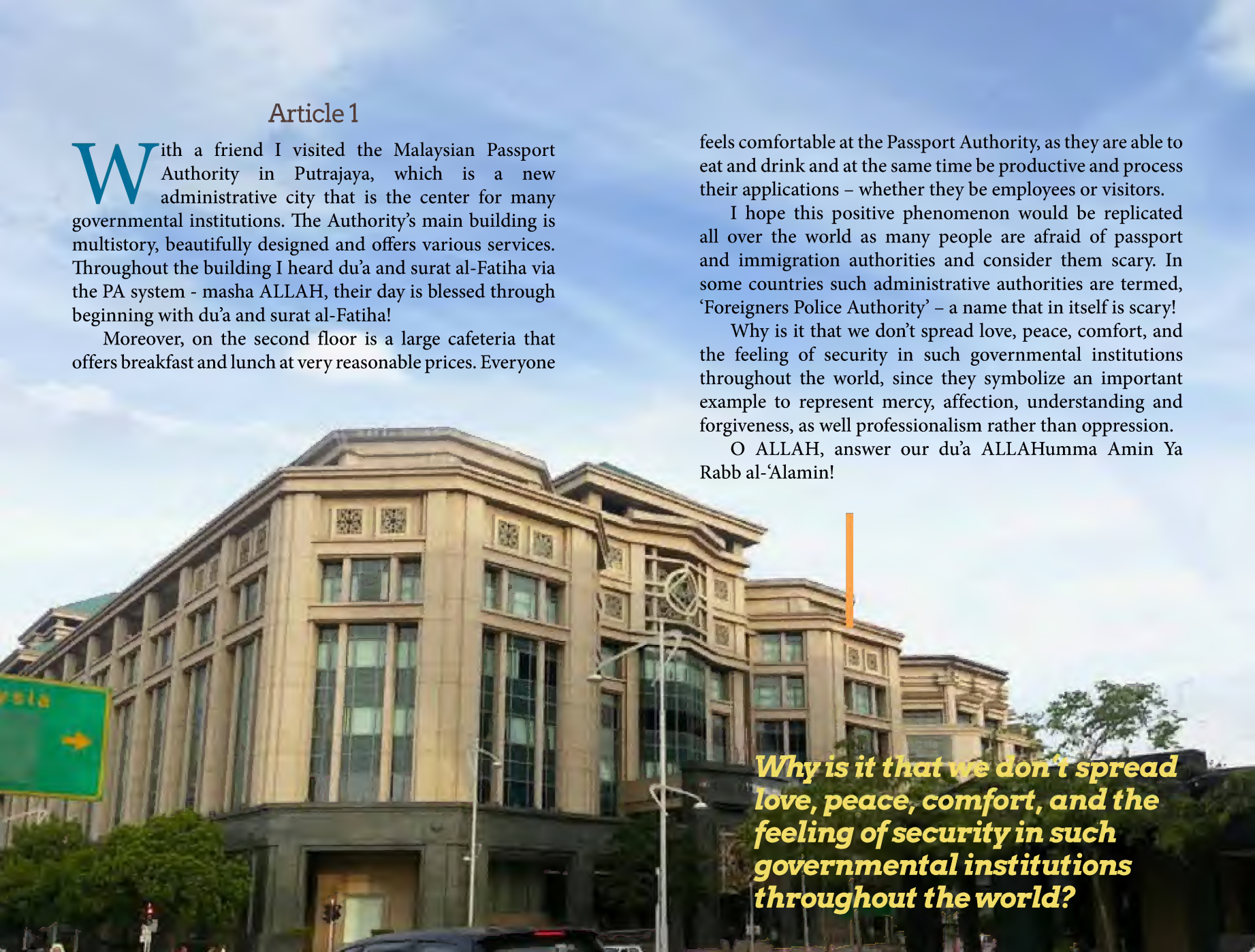
Moreover, on the second floor is a large cafeteria that offers breakfast and lunch at very reasonable prices. Everyone

feels comfortable at the Passport Authority, as they are able to eat and drink and at the same time be productive and process their applications – whether they be employees or visitors.

I hope this positive phenomenon would be replicated all over the world as many people are afraid of passport and immigration authorities and consider them scary. In some countries such administrative authorities are termed, 'Foreigners Police Authority' – a name that in itself is scary!

Why is it that we don't spread love, peace, comfort, and the feeling of security in such governmental institutions throughout the world, since they symbolize an important example to represent mercy, affection, understanding and forgiveness, as well professionalism rather than oppression.

O ALLAH, answer our du'a ALLAHumma Amin Ya Rabb al-'Alamin!



***Why is it that we don't spread love, peace, comfort, and the feeling of security in such governmental institutions throughout the world?***





## Article 2

**M**sha ALLAH tabaraka ALLAH, in all of Turkey in the mosques and zawiya's, in cities and villages, whether in formal occasions or informal gatherings, everyone celebrates the eve of the 15th of Sha'ban or as some refer to it 'Laylat al-Bara'a' or 'Qindil Bara'a'. During the celebration a variety of round, savory, sesame rusks are sold in beautiful packaging for less than two US dollars.

In every street and in every place, everyone congratulates each other and requests forgiveness from each other, as well as visiting their parents, relatives and friends.

What a beautiful site it is!

Moreover, in the mosques there are lots of reminders and talks explaining the significance of this blessed night. The people read surat Yasin three times - as is related in the famous Hadith on the subject, they recite the entire Qur'an and complete their devotions by reciting the blessed Mawlid, as well as listening to poems that open the heart, lift the soul and revive the body.

This is a result of the blessings of the Ottomans upon the Turkish people; when I witnessed all of the above I realized why Turkey is referred to as 'a paradise on earth' and why mercy descends upon it just as the rain does!

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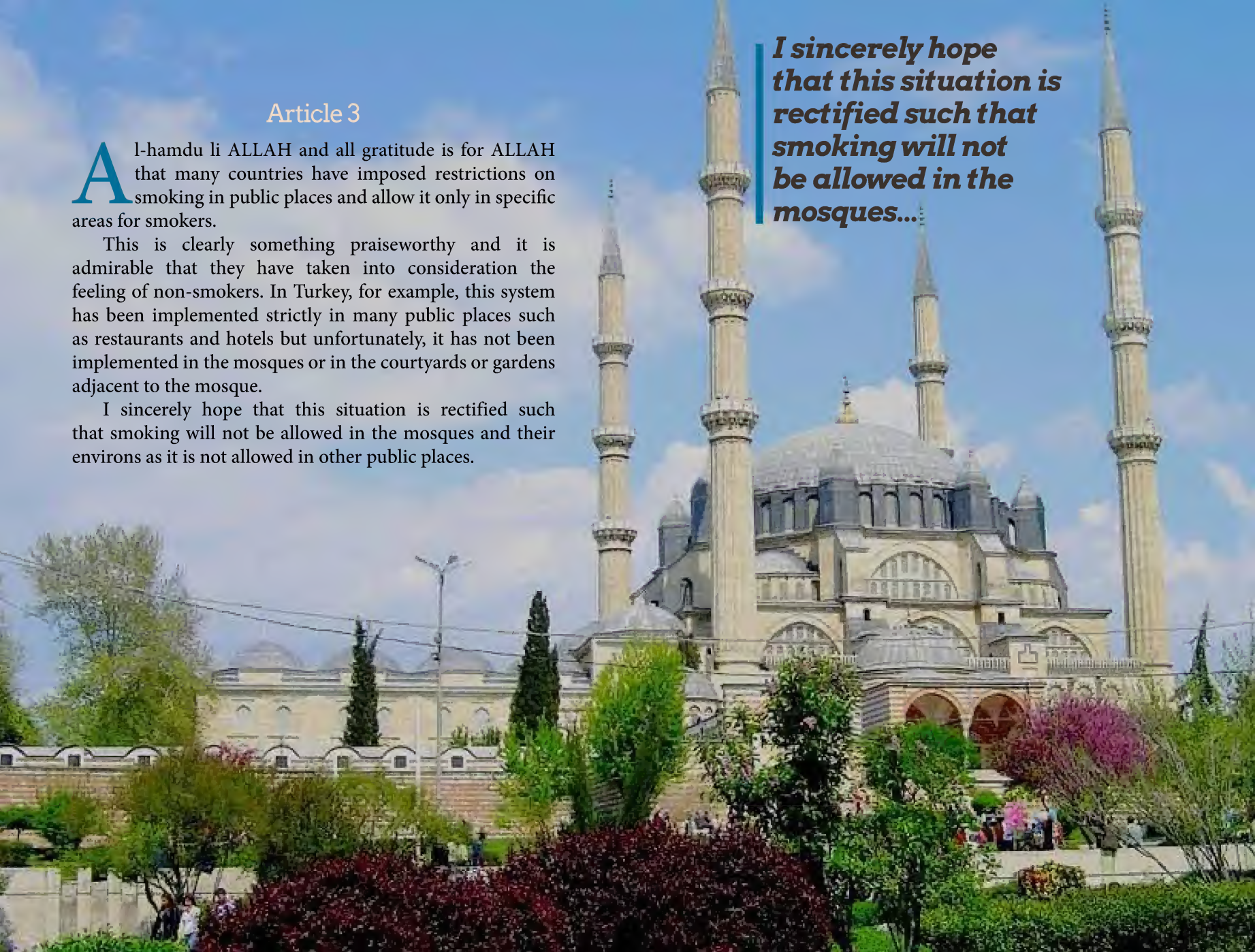
### Article 3

**A**l-hamdu li ALLAH and all gratitude is for ALLAH that many countries have imposed restrictions on smoking in public places and allow it only in specific areas for smokers.

This is clearly something praiseworthy and it is admirable that they have taken into consideration the feeling of non-smokers. In Turkey, for example, this system has been implemented strictly in many public places such as restaurants and hotels but unfortunately, it has not been implemented in the mosques or in the courtyards or gardens adjacent to the mosque.

I sincerely hope that this situation is rectified such that smoking will not be allowed in the mosques and their environs as it is not allowed in other public places.

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## Article 4

**A**l-Hamdu li ALLAH and all gratitude is for ALLAH for every 'season', night, day and moment we spend in the presence of Sayyiduna al-Shaykh – radiya ALLAHu 'anhu. Gratitude has to be expressed also to the 'people of purity and sincerity', my brothers – both absent and present - for their service and companionship to Sayyiduna al-Shaykh 'Abdul Nasir.

Having Sayyiduna physically present among us when he visits his beloved murids around the world in a great blessing and spiritual inspiration that is easy to express, explain and accept but at the same time is difficult to implement, practice and realize – except for those who truly desire Sayyiduna al-Shaykh.

Days pass and years fly by but longing is only increased and love is magnified for those whom ALLAH subhanahu wa ta'ala has granted success!

'Contemplate his actions and cry out ... as there is no use in a love that does not necessitate sacrifice!

I came to you with a trust so have mercy ... do not execute me as I have cast aside my weapons.'

Sayyiduna al-Shaykh has arrived to celebrate the occasion of al-Isra' and al-M'raj and what follows it in terms of celebration, delight, 'presence', light and joy.

'I have described piety so ardently as if I was pious ... while the odor of my sins emanates from my clothing.'



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